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SUBJECT: CIVAIR-POSSIBLE SUSPENSION OF AFFINITY CHARTER RULES

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1. EMBASSY INFORMED BY DIRECTOR DEPT. CIVIL AVIATION (LOIZOS XENOPOULOS) AS FOLLOWS: ADHERENCE TO AFFINITY GROUP CHARTER SYSTEM EFFECTIVELY ABANDONED BY CYPRUS ABOUT FOUR YEARS AGO. AS CYPRUS IS TOURIST RECEIVING COUNTRY, HOWEVER, CIVIL AVIATION DEPT. EXAMINES EVERY CHARTER APPLICATION WITH BROAD MIND, AND EACH CASE DETERMINED ACCORDING ITS OWN MERITS. BONA FIDE GROUPS ARE GIVEN PERMISSION USE ANY OF THREE CHARTER SYSTEMS: AFFINITY, GROUP OR ADVANCE. CYPRUS PURSUES INDEPENDENT CIVIL AVIATION POLICY FROM THAT OF U.K., NOTWITHSTANDING CLOSE COOPERATION BETWEEN THE NATIONAL AIRLINES OF THE TWO COUNTRIES.

2. XENOPOULOS EXPLAINED INFORMALLY THAT PRIMARY CYPRIOT OBJECTION AFFINITY CHARTERS WAS ABUSE BY SPURIOUS AFFINITY GROUPS OF CYPRIOTS LIVING UK WHICH RESULTED IN LOSS LUCRATIVE TRAFFIC FOR CYPRUS AIRWAYS. THIS PROBLEM NOW
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UNDER CONTROL. IN SCREENING APPLICATIONS, CYPRUS WEL-
COMES ANY CHARTER ARRANGEMENTS WHICH BRING INFLUX
TOURISTS, UNLESS CLEAR NEGATIVE IMPACT ON CYPRIOT
AVIATION INTERESTS INVOLVED.
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